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Information circular*

To: Members of the staff

From: The Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management

Subject: **Multilingualism****

1. The purpose of the present circular is to bring to the attention of the staff General Assembly resolution 50/11 of 2 November 1995.

2. In paragraph 3 of the resolution, the General Assembly requested the Secretary-General to ensure, inter alia, that the use of another of the six official languages is duly encouraged and taken into account, particularly when promotions and incremental steps are under consideration, in order to ensure linguistic balance within the Organization.

3. Pursuant to the request of the Assembly, staff members at all levels are encouraged to make full use of the language training facilities available to them in the Secretariat.

4. The above-mentioned resolution has also been brought to the attention of the appointment and promotion bodies, which will take its provisions into account when reviewing proposals for the promotion of staff.

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* The present circular replaces information circular ST/IC/1995/73, which will expire on 31 December 2000. The present circular will be in effect until further notice.

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